

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

August 31, 1999

**FROM: JAMES F. WHITE, DIRECTOR
PRESCHOOL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

SUBJECT: DELEGATE AGENCY FOOD SERVICES AGREEMENTS - PY 1999-2000

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Preschool Services Department (PSD) agreements with the following agencies for food services for the Head Start/State Preschool program for PY 1999-2000.

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Agreement No.</u>
Colton Joint Unified School District	\$146,143	
Needles Unified School District	41,478	

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On May 25, 1999, the Board of Supervisors approved the 1999-2000 continuing grant application for San Bernardino County Preschool Services Department's Head Start/State Preschool Program, now in its thirty-fifth year of operation. The PSD continuing grant application is funded by the Federal Office of Community Programs and Fiscal Operations and the California State Department of Education, Child Development Division. These agreements are the results of Head Start Program Delegate Agency operations, which include food services costs. Delegate Agencies are public or private non-profit organizations or agencies to which a Head Start grantee (PSD) has delegated all or part of its responsibility for operating a Head Start program. These contractors were selected by PSD administrative staff and the PSD Policy Council to continue their Delegate Agency food service operations, based on their years of successful food services performance with PSD. Additionally, these contractors, as Delegate Agencies, provide space for the Head Start/State Preschool Program. Colton Joint Unified School District serves 288 children and Needles Unified School District serves 85 children.

In January, 1999, a news release was distributed to the media countywide, requesting for potential Delegate Agencies to submit letters of intent to operate a Head Start Program. Respondents were the current Delegate Agencies. In March, 1999, announcements were sent to all county school districts by the Head Start Shared Governance Board, inviting applications for Delegate Agency status with PSD. Only the current Delegate Agencies have responded. These agreements are effective October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000.

REVIEW BY OTHER(S): The PSD Policy Council approved the continuing grant applications on May 25, 1999, which included the need for these services. These agreements have been reviewed and approved as to legal form by Chief Deputy County Counsel, Ruth Stringer.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: PSD has included the cost of these food services agreements in its PY 1999-2000 budget, which is funded entirely by State and Federal funds. There is no County cost.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): First and Fifth Districts

PRESENTER: James F. White, Director, Preschool Services Department

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